GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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CULTIVATION OF MUSTARD AND OILSEEDS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the area of mustard and oilseeds cultivation in the country has been declining from the last several years;

(b) if so, the area of land used for cultivation of mustard and oilseeds during 1998-99 and 2000-2001; and

(c) the production of mustard and oilseeds during those two years, separately?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): The area under repeseed-mustard and oilseeds cultivation has been fluctuating from year to year depending upon the weather conditions prevailing in that particular year.

(b): The area under rapeseed & mustard and total oilseeds during 1998-99 & 2000- 01 is as under:-

(thousand ha.)

Year	Area under Rapeseed-Mustard	Area under total oilseeds
1998-99	6513.2	26228.8
2000-01	4472.9	23249.8

(c): The production of rapeseed-mustard and Oilseeds during those two years i.e. 1998-99 & 2000-01 is as under:-

(thousand M.T.)

Year	Production of Rapeseed Mustard	Production of total Oilseeds
1998-99	5663.9	24748.2
2000-01	4207.1	18400.1